

## CLAIMS

1. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide expressed by the composition formula  $A_2B_2O_7$  (where A is an element selected from the group consisting of La, Nd and Sr, and B is an element selected from the group consisting of Ti, Si, Nb and Ta).

2. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide having a  $K_2NiF_4$  structure expressed by the composition formula  $X_2YO_4$ .

3. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 2, wherein X of the oxide expressed by said composition formula  $X_2YO_4$  is La or Sr, and Y is Ni or Ti.

4. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide expressed by the composition formula  $Sr_3Ti_2O_7$  or  $Sr_4Ti_3O_{10}$ .

5. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base metal,

5 comprising as a main component, an oxide expressed by the composition formula  $\text{LaTaO}_4$ .

6. A thermal barrier coating material comprising as a main component, a ceramic composition of a combination of two or  
10 more kinds of compositions selected from the oxides as in claim 1 and claim 3 through claim 5.

7. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base  
15 metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide having an olivine type structure expressed by the composition formula  $\text{M}_2\text{SiO}_4$  (where M is a divalent metal element).

20 8. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 7, wherein M of the oxide expressed by said composition formula  $\text{M}_2\text{SiO}_4$  is Mg or Ni.

9. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a  
25 thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base

metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide having an olivine type structure expressed by the composition formula  $(MM')_2SiO_4$  (where M, M' are both divalent metal elements).

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10. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 9, wherein M of the composition formula  $(MM')_2SiO_4$  is Mg or Ni, and M' is a metal element selected from the group consisting of Ca, Co, Ni, Fe, and Mn.

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11. A thermal barrier coating material comprising as a main component, a composition of a combination of a zirconia material and an oxide as in any one of claim 1 through claim 10.

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12. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide containing Nb

20 and either an alkaline earth metal or a rare earth element.

13. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 12, wherein said oxide is an oxide selected from the group consisting of  $Sr_4Nb_2O_9$ ,  $Sr_5Nb_4O_{15}$ ,  $Ca_2Nb_2O_7$ ,  $YNbO_4$  and  $LaNbO_4$ .

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14. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 2, wherein an X of the oxide expressed by said composition formula  $X_2YO_4$  is any one of Pr, Nd and Eu, and Y is Ni.

5 15. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide expressed by the composition formula  $La_{(1-x)}M''_xTaO_4$  (where  $0 < x \leq 1$ , and  $M''$  is a  
10 metal element selected from the group consisting of Al, V, Cr, Fe, Ga, Y, Rh, In, Ce, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb, and Lu).

16. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a  
15 thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide containing Ta and an alkaline earth metal.

20 17. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 16, wherein said oxide is  $Ca_4Ta_2O_9$  or  $BaTa_2O_6$ .

18. A thermal barrier coating material comprising as a main component, a ceramic composition of a combination of oxides of  
25 two or more kinds selected from the oxides as in any one of

claim 13 to claim 15, and claim 17.

19. A thermal barrier coating material comprising as a main component, a ceramic composition of a combination of; oxides  
 5 of one or more kinds selected from oxides expressed by the composition formulas  $A_2B_2O_7$  (where A is an element selected from the group consisting of La, Nd and Sr, and B is an element selected from the group consisting of Ti, Si, Nb and Ta),  $X_2YO_4$  (where X is La or Sr, and Y is Ni or Ti),  $Sr_3Ti_2O_7$ ,  
 10  $Sr_4Ti_3O_{10}$ , and  $LaTaO_4$ , and oxides of one or more kinds selected from oxides expressed by the composition formulas  $Sr_4Nb_2O_9$ ,  $Sr_5Nb_4O_{15}$ ,  $Ca_2Nb_2O_7$ ,  $YNbO_4$ ,  $LaNbO_4$ ,  $X_2YO_4$  (where X is any one of Pr, Nd and Eu, and Y is Ni),  $M''_xTaO_4$  (where M'' is a metal element selected from the group consisting of Al, V, Cr, Fe,  
 15 Ga, Y, Rh, In, Ce, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb, and Lu),  $Ca_4Ta_2O_9$  and  $BaTa_2O_6$ .

20. A thermal barrier coating material, comprising as a main component, a composition of a combination of a zirconia  
 20 material and an oxide as in any one of claim 12 through claim 17.

21. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 1, wherein said oxide is an oxide selected from the group  
 25 consisting of  $Sr_2Nb_{2-x}Ti_xO_7$ , and  $Sr_2Nb_{2-x}Zr_xO_7$  ( $0 < x \leq 2$ ).

22. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 12, wherein said oxide is an oxide selected from the group consisting of  $\text{Sr}_4\text{Nb}_{2-x}\text{Ti}_x\text{O}_9$ , and  $\text{Sr}_4\text{Nb}_{2-x}\text{Zr}_x\text{O}_9$  ( $0 < x \leq 2$ ).

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23. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 12, wherein said oxide is an oxide selected from the group consisting of  $\text{Ca}_{11}\text{Nb}_4\text{O}_{21}$ ,  $\text{La}_3\text{NbO}_7$ , and  $\text{DyNbO}_4$ .

10 24. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 16, wherein said oxide is an oxide selected from the group consisting of  $\text{BaTa}_{2-x}\text{Ti}_x\text{O}_6$ , and  $\text{BaTa}_{2-x}\text{Zr}_x\text{O}_6$  ( $0 < x \leq 2$ ).

25. A thermal barrier coating material according to claim 2,  
15 wherein said oxide is  $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Ca}_x\text{NiO}_4$  ( $0 < x \leq 2$ ).

26. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base metal,

20 comprising an oxide selected from the group consisting of composition formulas  $\text{SrYb}_2\text{O}_4$  and  $\text{Sr}_4\text{Yb}_2\text{O}_9$ .

27. A thermal barrier coating material applicable to a thermal barrier coating for coating the surface of a base  
25 metal,

comprising as a main component, an oxide expressed by the composition formula  $J_6WO_{12}$  and  $J_2WO_6$  (where J is an element selected from rare earth elements).

- 5 28. A thermal barrier coating material comprising as a main component, a ceramic composition of a combination of materials of two or more kinds selected from the oxides as in any one of claim 1, claim 3 to claim 5, claim 13 to claim 15, claim 17, and claim 23 to claim 27.

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29. A thermal barrier coating material comprising as a main component, a composition of a combination of zirconia material and an oxide as in any one of claim 21 through claim 27, or a ceramic compositions of claim 28.